

Chief Judge Ricardo S. Martinez

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff

v.

MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER,  
Defendant.

NO. CR21-133 RSM

**ORDER**

THE COURT has considered the stipulated motion to proceed with guilty plea by video hearing, along with all the records and files in this case and the General Orders currently in effect.

THE COURT FINDS that the circumstances are as set forth in the parties' motion, and that a guilty plea by video hearing may take place as soon as practical, because further delays in this case would cause serious harm to the interests of justice," *see* General Order No. 04-20, for the reasons set forth in the parties' stipulation.

THE COURT ORDERS that the parties may proceed with a plea hearing by video conference, consistent with current procedures established by this Court, and directs the

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1 parties to consult with one another and the Court to schedule such a hearing at a mutually  
2 acceptable date and time.

3 DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2022.

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6 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
7 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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